

### Weather Report

Rain tonight and continued cool.  
Temperatures today—Highest, 65, at 3:30 p.m.; lowest, 61, at 7 a.m. Yesterday—Highest, 65, at 1:20 p.m.; lowest, 55, at 4 a.m. Full report on page A-22.  
United States Weather Bureau Report.  
Closing N. Y. Markets—Sales, Page A-23.

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# MARSHALL SLATED AS GLOBAL COMMANDER

## Churchill Promises Mass Invasion of Europe's Coast From West

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Needlessly in  
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(Partial Text, Page A-8.)

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Prime Minister Churchill declared today that the second front will be thrown open "at the right time" and "a mass invasion of the continent from the west will begin."

Calling the Mediterranean battlefield the "third front," the Prime Minister told the House of Commons that the second front "already exists potentially" and "already is rapidly gathering weight."

"The second front exists and is a main preoccupation already with the enemy."

"It has not yet been thrown into play," he continued. "That time is coming."

"At what we and our American Allies judge to be the right time this front will be thrown open and a mass invasion of the continent from the west will begin."

"The House may be absolutely certain," said the Prime Minister, "that the present government will never be swayed or overborne by an untrained agitation, however natural, or pressure, however well meant, in matters of this kind."

"It will not be forced or cajoled into undertaking vast operations against our better judgment in order to gain political unanimity or a cheer from any quarter."

Surviving the whole sweep of the war with serene confidence, Mr. Churchill also declared:

1. Not a moment was lost needlessly in the operations against Italy, and, except for the failure of Italian guards to do their assigned duty, Benito Mussolini would have been shot by Hitler's agents rescued him at Gran Sasso.

2. American troops have landed on the island of Sicily to assist Italian troops who drove the German garrison over to Corsica, now being occupied by French units.

3. A tripartite conference of representatives of the United States, Britain and Russia will take place "at an early date" and no question will be barred from discussion. Any differences will be set aside for a conference of President Roosevelt, Premier Stalin and the Prime Minister himself.

4. The Allies are prepared to place large armies in Italy and to deploy a weighty and active fighting front against the enemy on whatever line he chooses, to resist and to maintain against him with increasing weight and vigor if need be through the fall and winter.

5. A French army of 300,000 to 400,000 is being steadily organized and the battleship Richelieu will soon take its place in the French fleet.

Speaking of the prospect of a (Continued on Page A-8, Column 1)

### Mussolini Returning To Italy, Nazis Say

Said to Have Conferred  
Several Days With Hitler

LONDON, Sept. 21.—German broadcasts reported today that Benito Mussolini had left Germany for Northern Italy "after a conversation with the Fuehrer lasting several days." In further study developments on the spot.

The broadcast said Mussolini was expected to announce the composition of his newly proclaimed government in the coming week and was devoting his attention to reconstruction of the Fascist militia, around which will be built a new Republican Fascist Army.

Although Mussolini, in a speech attributed to him by the German radio Saturday denounced King Victor Emmanuel and the House of Savoy, the radio said it was not certain that Mussolini would take the title of chief of state as well as chief of government.

After reporting several days ago the escape of Mussolini's son-in-law, Count Galeazzo Ciano, to Germany, the radio today declared it was untrue he had been rescued and he was presumed to be "missing." This apparently was an admission that Ciano was caught by Italian authorities before reaching the safety of Germany. The radio said Carlo Scorza, former Fascist party secretary, also had "disappeared."

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## Fulbright Resolution Approved, 360 to 29

In an historic stand on foreign policy, the House overwhelmingly passed today the Fulbright resolution, placing Congress on record in favor of United States postwar collaboration with other nations to maintain a "just and lasting" peace.

The first congressional pledge of its kind was made on a rollcall vote of 360 to 29, or more than the two-thirds vote required for approval. The measure goes now to the Senate, where it will be considered by the Foreign Relations Committee.

## Nazi Winter Defense Line Smashed by Red Army Thrust

Stalin Announces  
Great Victory in  
Order of the Day

LONDON, Sept. 21.—The whole German Desna River winter defense line collapsed today under a terrific Red Army onslaught which broke the Nazi stand along the entire west bank and took by storm the important bastion town of Chernigov, 30 miles from the Dnieper River and 77 miles northeast of Kiev, Marshal Stalin announced in an order of the day.

The successful forcing of the Desna, described by Stalin as a "skilful outflanking maneuver," followed three days of violent fighting. The Premier's announcement said:

"The order of the day, broadcast by Moscow and recorded by the Associated Press said as the result of Chernigov's fall, 'the Germans' defenses prepared on the western bank of the river have been overcome by our troops along the whole length of the river and the plan of the Germans to stem the advance of our troops on the line of the River Desna must be considered to have failed.'"

An earlier Moscow communique announced that Red Army forces had slashed across the Kiev-Chernigov highway on the middle Dnieper and cut the main Crimean escape railway between Zaporozhne and Dnepropetrovsk. Other Russian troops stormed on from captured Velizh, 65 miles northwest of Smolensk, to outflank that German center-front anchor.

The earlier Moscow communique disclosed an amazing list of triumphs marked up by the Russian troops, including the start of a great wheeling movement pointed toward Cherkassy, key rail center on the Dnieper southeast of Kiev, in an attempt to entrap the hundreds of thousands of German troops reported massed in the river bend.

More than 1,100 towns and villages fell before the blinding Soviet advances, the Russian war bulletin said. The broadcast version was recorded here by the Soviet monitor. Tremendous piles of war equipment, including strings of fully loaded troops and materiel trains, tanks, armored cars, guns and ammunition were reported taken.

ODT Asks Curb on Sale of Football Tickets

The Office of Defense Transportation today called on all school, college and other football teams to restrict sales of tickets to residents of the area in which the game is to be played.

The already heavy overload on intercity transportation systems was given as the reason.

ODT also asked that football teams use coach accommodations in trains and refrain from making reservations until the day before departure.

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UNITED STATES BOMBERS AVOID LEANING TOWER OF PISA—Smoke rises from hits made by United States bombers of the Northwest African Air Force on the railway marshalling yards at Pisa, Italy, on the Arno River, 185 miles northwest of Rome. The famous Leaning Tower is shown in circle at lower left, unharmed and well outside the bombing range. —Army Air Forces Photo.

## Landings on Dodecanese Isles Are Confirmed by British

Announcement Follows RAF's Revelation It Has Seized Airdrome on Coo

CAIRO, Sept. 21.—British forces have landed on the Aegean Islands of Coo, Lero and Samos off the coast of Turkey, it was announced officially today.

The confirmation of Allied activity on Coo and Lero in the Italian Dodecanese group and the Greek island of Samos immediately to the north followed an RAF communique announcing that the RAF had seized the Coo airdrome and is now operating from there. There have been reports for several days of landings in the area.

Coo (Coo) is 50 miles northwest of German-occupied Rhodes, largest island capital of the Dodecanese group in the Aegean Sea. It is about 5 miles from Turkey. The Italian personnel of Coo is co-operating in the occupation, the communique said.

"During the past few days, several enemy air attacks have been beaten off," the communique continued, adding that in the last few days a Heinkel 111 and a JU-88 had been shot down, "while attempting to attack the island."

It gives the Allies an airbase in the very center of the Dodecanese group and on the north side of the Nazi Mediterranean outpost of Crete.

A few days ago it was announced (See DODECANESE, Page A-22.)

Senate Unit Demands Inspections Reports After Gallinger Visit

Call on Commissioners For Full Information Within 36 Hours

The rapidly developing Senate inquiry into the care of patients at Gallinger Hospital today resulted in an unannounced visit by two Senators to the institution and a demand that the Commissioners furnish the Senate investigators with information on their own inspections of the hospital "within 36 hours."

These developments followed a disclosure by Chairman McCarran of the Senate District Committee last night that Controller General Lindsay Warren had complained of irregularities in the management of the institution.

Senator Holman, Republican of Oregon, and Senator Buck, Republican of Delaware, accompanied by R. A. Selig, secretary to Senator Bone, Democrat, of Washington, said they found evidence of patients cooking in their rooms at the municipal hospital when they made their unannounced visit today.

The congressional group, escorted by Dr. P. S. Rossiter, chief of the medical staff, in the absence of Dr. Bernard M. Baruch, presidential adviser who recently completed a study of West Coast labor shortages, is scheduled to testify at 2 p.m. tomorrow as the final witness in the committee's hearing on the bill.

Senator Truman told Senator Wheeler, Democrat, of Montana, that he would support the draft deferment bill, because he believes the problem is an administrative one that should be worked out by the War Manpower Commission.

"But I do question whether we need 5,000,000 men in the Army this month in continental United States, and whether the Army needs this year an additional 630,000 men, so that even if we achieve our hoped-for goal of 4,750,000 men abroad by the end of 1944, we shall still (Continued on Page A-9, Col. 5.)

Man in Plane Killed In Fall; Craft Soars On

SELINGSGROVE, Pa., Sept. 21.—A man fell from an airplane and was killed today and the plane continued westward without slowing down.

The body landed in a field near the farm of Arthur Brouse, five miles west of here.

Coroner Charles W. Strouse went to the scene.

## Big Allied Offensives To Be Started Shortly, Marshall Tells Legion

America Will Attack With 'Power and Force' to Assure Early Victory

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 21.—Great offensives in which the full strength of America's armed forces will be hurled against the enemy in Asia and Europe are "just about to begin," Gen. George C. Marshall said today.

President Roosevelt, in a message read before the Legion convention, called for "an increased rather than lessened effort" in "many phases of the national program," and pointed to civilian defense as "an example of this sort of latent need."

The message was read by National Commander Roane Waring.

Addressing the American Legion convention, Gen. Marshall said there appeared to be some public misunderstanding of the recent Allied success, a tendency to believe that the final steps of the war were being taken.

On the contrary, he said, the last year and a half has been spent largely in preparation for operations of the large forces still to go into action, in establishing bases for future campaigns.

Ready to Hit Hard

"Now at last we are ready to carry the war to the enemy," Gen. Marshall said, "all overseas, thank God, with a power and force that we (See LEGIONNAIRES, Page A-9.)

Wife of Officer Here Murdered in Detroit

Discovered in Basement With Throat Slashed

(Picture on Page A-5.)

DETROIT, Sept. 21.—Police hunted today for the knife-wielding slayer of Mrs. Mary Gallian, pretty 18-year-old bride of an Army officer.

Mrs. Gallian's body was found yesterday in the basement of her mother-in-law's home, a pink underslip knotted around her neck and her throat slashed. A blood-stained butcher knife and two rags, apparently used to mop up the blood on the floor, were found near the body.

Police said they believed that Mrs. Gallian, surprised while washing clothes in a basement laundry tub, was strangled and then her throat was cut.

Mrs. Violet Richards discovered the body of her daughter-in-law, married only a year to Second Lt. James Gallian, stationed with a military police unit at Washington, when she returned home from work at the Hudson Naval Arsenal. Mrs. Gallian, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee Mash of Corsicana, Tex., had been living with her mother-in-law for about six weeks.